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Saint Joseph's College alumnus, **Joe Reilly '64**, decided to give back to the College, offering current and future Pumas \$400,000, which will be used to complete technology updates in the Core Education Center and provide students with a more innovative learning environment.



MEET THE PRESIDENT 12-15

On October 16, Saint Joseph's College inaugurated its 18th president, Dr. Robert A. Pastoor. Under Pastoor's leadership, the College anticipates many innovative and prosperous years to come.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY TRAVELS TO ROMANIA

The Saint Joseph's College Habitat for Humanity Chapter volunteered in Romania this past May, spending fifteen days constructing a habitat in the city of Oradea and experiencing a different culture.



JENNINGS' 80TH BIRTHDAY 38

Retired SJC Football Coach Bill Jennings turned 80 in May of 2015 and was surprised by a group of his former players who threw him a party in Indianapolis and expressed their appreciation for the way Jennings supported them as a coach.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

I have observed, learned, smiled, and laughed many times over when hearing stories from our alumni, staff, students, and friends about a specific incident that left an indelible impression upon them while at Saint Joseph's College. As I listened to these stories during my relatively short tenure here at SJC, I came to realize two very powerful things about being a part of the Saint Joseph's College



family. First, our alumni have been deeply touched by the College friendships with their classmates and with their faculty and staff mentors. Second, we are a family of givers. But we're not just a family of givers, we're a group that believes in the virtue of paying it forward.

Paying it forward is a simple concept that does not require much effort of thought or conditioning. We live in a rapidly moving world and the demands of daily life have a tendency to invite us to look inward and become shielded from those who may need help, be they fellow students, administrators, staff, alumni or random passersby. Luckily, to many of us, paying it forward isn't just a random gesture, but a part of us. We see examples of giving and paying it forward throughout this edition of Contact Magazine. We see Joe Reilly '64 and his wife, Pat, paying it forward through a transformational gift that is funding a major academic technology upgrade. This upgrade will enhance what SJC has to offer students moving forward in a significant way. We see Donna O'Reilly, widow of Tom O'Reilly '73, committing to an estate gift that will fund scholarships for years to come, allowing many the opportunity to become a part of the SJC family. We see Todd '03 and Jenn '03 Huff giving back to SJC in several meaningful ways and epitomizing what it means to be involved for life. We see Aaron '92 and Lori Quinn '95 Winkler paying it forward through their purchase of the IMPACT Paver as part of the IMPACT Initiative, and we see the capacity to give through the students engaged with the Saint Joseph's College Habitat for Humanity Chapter who travelled to Romania and worked on 3 different homes to provide safe, decent, affordable housing to families a world away from our home in Rensselaer.

Paying it forward is not just a saying with Pumas. It is an expression of our faith, our core, and a part of our family tradition. We have alumni, friends, students, and partners who have the power to bring about real positive change to our college. For them, the motivation for paying it forward is not about the recognition they will receive due to their generosity. It is their testament to how important Saint Joseph's College is to them, and their desire to ensure that future generations of SJC students have the opportunity to be a part of the SJC family and all it entails.

As we head into a new year full of promise and opportunity, please take a moment to reflect upon how Saint Joseph's College has left its mark upon you. Spend some time thinking of the relationships forged and fortified for life, which started on the hallowed grounds of SJC, and how we consider those from our time at SJC family. It is now our turn, in our own ways, to pay it forward for future generations of Pumas.

God's blessings to you all!

Robert A. Pastoor, Ed. D.

President

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CLASS OF

BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTING

JOEY KRISCH '15

Major: Business Administration Minor: Mass Communication

Residence after graduation: Indianapolis, Ind. Associate Claim Representative at The Hartford

"The Core Program put me ahead of my peers when interviewing for jobs and at career fairs.

The program teaches you to be a great communicator and that is something that is lost nowadays due to text messaging. It also helped my writing and public speaking skills, and

it helped me learn to respect and listen to others' opinions."

BRITTANY O'DONNELL'15

Major: Accounting (CPA Track)
Minor: Human Resources

Residence after graduation: Indianapolis, Ind. Tax Accountant at Katz, Sapper, & Miller

> "The Department of Business really works to prepare students for the "real world." We have a networking event every semester with alumni, and I really think that is important because it prepares you for interviews and also gives you the opportunity to

talk to Puma graduates about their job experiences."

RICHARD ARREDONDO '15

Major: Business Administration

Minor: Accounting

Residence after graduation: Noblesville, Ind. Account Manager at SMC Corporation

"The Core Program helped me in a number of ways. It first taught me to be openminded. I should not be too quick to jump in on another's opinion but wait and actually listen. It also helped me to get better with public speaking and to think on

my feet when asked a question."



STEM

RACHEL KING '15

Major: Biology Minor: Chemistry

Residence after graduation: Danville, Ill.

Microbiology Lab Technician at KIK Custom Products

"I would tell [prospective students] to always ask questions. The professors are really great and happy when you come and talk to them. Also, be really involved in the major because it will really help when trying to get an internship or searching for employment."

HANNAH WALTERS '15

Major: Mathematics

Minor: Education and Spanish

Residence after graduation: Lafayette, Ind.

Director of the Dance Program at the YWCA in Lafayette

"The faculty really helped to make SJC feel like home. Professor of Mathematics Marge McIlwain was the reason I came to SJC. We made a connection on my tour, and it was really hard to leave after four years of memories."





SOCIAL SCIENCES MERCEDES MONTGOMERY '15

Major: Criminal Justice Minor: Psychology

Residence after graduation: Indianapolis, Ind.

Loss Prevention Detective for TJX Companies, Inc.

"The Core Program helped prepare me for employment by teaching me how important it is to have open views, not only of other individuals, but also to have a better understanding of the world. I struggled with my faith for years, and Core

9 specifically helped guide me and strengthen my faith."

HUMANITIES **MACIE LAKIN '15**

Major: English Literature Minor: Educational Studies

Residence after graduation: Rockford, Ill.

Northern Illinois University Grad Student and Teaching Assistant

"Associate Professor of English April
Toadvine was able to answer all my
undergrad and graduate questions. She
also helped me figure out what to expect
in grad school and wrote recommendation

letters. Don't be afraid to ask for help from the English professors. They're so open and welcoming."

VALEDICTORIAN TADD MADDALOZZO '15

Majors: Psychology and Criminal Justice Residence after graduation: Peoria, Ill.

Tadd is currently a Data Analyst/Associate at State Farm Bank. He deferred admission to UT-Dallas until next year when he will relocate to Dallas, Texas and enter the master's program in Applied Cognition and Neuroscience.

"The Core program has provided such an interdisciplinary approach to acquiring knowl-

edge that it will undoubtedly shape
the process of learning wherever
I go. Through Core, I have
developed the necessary
communication and social
finesse that will drive my
future success. It has taught
me the true value of combining
faith and knowledge in a way that

promotes and maintains understanding and tolerance."

SENIOR OF THE YEAR **JAMYL SCOTT '15**

Major: Business Administration

Minor: Criminal Justice Residence: Rensselaer, Ind.

Jamyl had a year of eligibility left in football and opted to come back for his senior season. Jamyl has recently accepted a position at SJC as an Admissions Counselor.

"Saint Joseph's College has shown me the necessity of sacrifice, hard work, and dedication in order to fulfill my role as a productive member of a community and society as a whole."

To see more of the Class of 2015, visit www.saintjoe.edu/our-graduates.

EVA KOR LECTURE

On August 19, Saint Joseph's College welcomed Auschwitz survivor and Terre Haute resident, Eva Kor, to campus. Kor gave a Core 9 lecture, sharing her story to students of all ages as well as community members and friends of the College. A survivor of the infamous twin experiments, Kor has risen to the public spotlight in recent years after publicly forgiving the Nazis for what they did to her family, a gesture which was met with disapproval from many other Holocaust survivors, who feel that her forgiveness is unmerited and inappropriate in this situation. Sharing a story of forgiveness, tolerance, and compassion, Kor spoke in front of the over-crowded Shen auditorium, filled with students of all ages, faculty members, and friends of the College. Audience members from all walks of life have expressed their gratitude to Kor for her visit as well as their appreciation of her message of forgiveness. She touched many lives that day.

Kor's lecture, "Messenger to Humanity: A Survivor of Auschwitz Speaks," focused on her experiences as a Holocaust survivor and advocate for victims of Nazi experiments, specifically her decision to forgive the Nazis for their actions and shake hands with the "Accountant of Auschwitz," Oskar Groening, whom Kor publicly forgave and even embraced. Since forgiving the Nazis, Kor continues to promote forgiveness, rather than anger, a message which was very wellreceived by members of the SJC community. "Seeing the Shen at 'standing room only' capacity, with everyone so engaged, listening carefully and giving Mrs. Kor their full attention, was awesome." said Professor of Chemistry Dr. Anne Gull and senior Business Administration major Chris Salrin '16.

Ultimately, Kor's message is part of a larger purpose, which is summarized by the Hebrew phrase Tikkun Olam or "heal the



world," and the hope is that by listening and responding to Kor's message, students were made aware of a larger purpose.

"Most of all students have embraced Eva's message of forgiveness and perseverance," said Assistant Professor of Core and Core 9 Director Angela Elrod-Sadler. "In numerous ways this semester I have heard seniors connect Eva's message to their personal lives and professional aspirations. Students are rethinking the way they see the individuals they aspire to work with, sell to, treat, or teach. As one student said to me, 'I realize I need to be less quick to dismiss others and more open to understanding their personal circumstances, or the hardships they may face.'

These realizations are evident in so many of our alumni's lives, such as the incredible story of John P. Riordan '64, who also attended Mrs. Kor's presentation and whose own compassionate example was recently celebrated by the Library of Congress. And so, when I think of what our students have gained from Eva's time with us, I believe it is not one thing. I think her message will continue to resonate, and as Pumas, our graduates will be known for their compassionate solidarity too."

JOE PUMA HAS A NEW LOOK

AT THE PEP RALLY the night before Homecoming, spectators witnessed a light saber battle between two pumas. The new Joe Puma challenged the old Joe Puma for the right to represent Saint Joseph's College and its students. New Joe, sporting a purple light saber, fought valiantly against the old Joe, who held a red light saber. After a hard fought battle, new Joe triumphed and assumed his new role as the one and only mascot of SJC to a round of applause from the crowd with even the old Joe joining in.







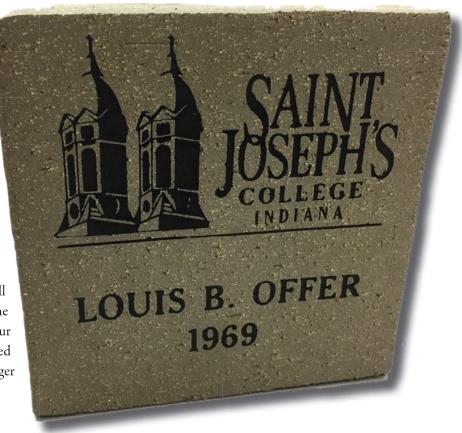
Saint Joseph's College has impacted thousands of alumni like you over the last 125 years. As we look towards the next 125 years, we are filled with excitement and opportunity. However, we also face very real challenges.

The IMPACT Initiative is a strategic approach to addressing these challenges by focusing on critical

priorities. These priorities include the need to improve significantly our campus-wide infrastructure. We must provide innovative, functional, student-focused structures that inspire, engage, educate, and motivate. We can do that by preserving and renewing our venerable older structures whenever possible, and by building anew when necessary to meet the needs of students today and in the future. Furthermore, we need to increase our enrollment and accessibility to students as we remain committed to providing affordable college opportunities to all. We must address our debt and enhance the quality of student life on campus.

We know the IMPACT Initiative will successfully propel Saint Joseph's College into the forefront of liberal arts institutions, and ensure our students of today and tomorrow have all they need to become truly productive members of our larger

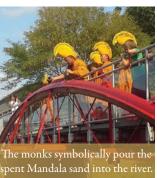
community. With your help we will continue to be a place of excellence, one that builds character, fosters innovation, and develops future leaders who are conscientious, compassionate, knowledgeable, and who are engaged in making the world a better place.











MONKS VISIT SJC

As part of the Sacred Arts Tour, Saint Joseph's College welcomed monks from the Drepung Gomang Monastery to campus from August 23-27. The College hosted several events during the monks' visit, including a blessing of the Mandala, a cultural pageant, and a prayer for peace.

Throughout the 24th, 25th, and 26th, the monks constructed their World Peace Mandala. The term "Mandala" is a Sanskrit word meaning "world in harmony." The World Peace Mandala is built by placing individual grains of sand, while reflecting on world peace and the virtues that can allow individuals to live more fulfilling and compassionate lives. After a closing ceremony, the Mandala was swept up, representing the brevity of life and bringing about social healing.

"I think the campus gained a viable look at another culture," said Associate Professor of English Dr. April Toadvine, "and certainly we made a group of friends, those of us did who got to meet them, that certainly we would not have been able to get otherwise."

Coordinated by Assistant Professor of History Susan Chattin '85, Associate Professor of Art Bonnie Zimmer, and Dr. Toadvine, the monks' visit was made possible with the help of the Prairie Arts Council, which made a generous donation in order to bring the monks to Rensselaer. The various on-campus events were open to the public, in addition to SJC students and faculty, and many community members and friends of the College attended the events and observed the Mandala construction throughout the week.

"I really enjoyed it," said junior English major Christina O'Connell '17. "Watching them make the Mandala was very intriguing. Since they had all the religions symbolized, it brought religions together instead of apart, which I liked. And seeing this at the same time as Core 7, it helped me learn about their culture, which was good."

"I think it went even better than I had hoped that it would go," Professor Chattin said. "Everyone was very receptive to meeting the monks, to getting to know what they were doing and why they were doing it, and it didn't take long to move past the phase of awkwardness and get to know them, and it was really great to have that diversity in Rensselaer . . . and I hope we will be able to have them back in the future."

PORTRAIT OF A PUMA:

TODD '03 AND JENNIFER '03 HUFF

Here is a look into the Puma-themed basement of Todd '03 and Jenn '03 Huff. Todd and Jenn graduated in 2003 and married in 2010. They are both Father Gross Fellows and have stayed closely connected to the College since graduating. Todd is a Chemistry and Physics teacher at Tri-County High School and an adjunct professor of Chemistry and Business Administration at the College, while Jenn is a teacher at Van Rensselaer Elementary School who often hosts SIC student teachers.

For Todd and Jenn, SJC plays a vital role in all facets of their lives.

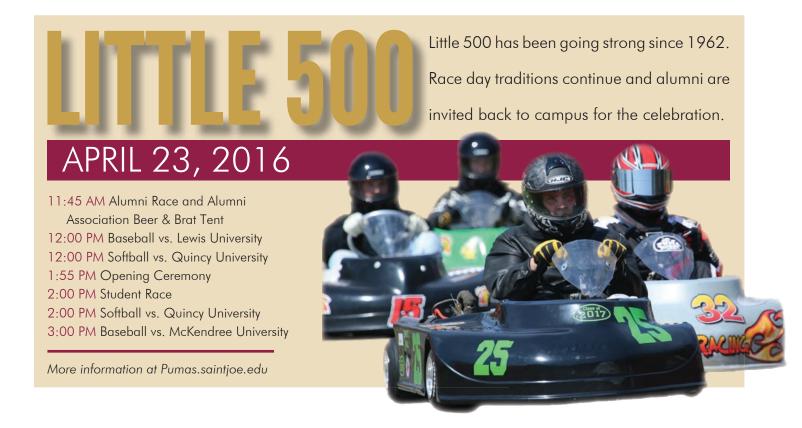
"SJC continues to have a regular presence in my work and home," said Jenn. "At school, I enjoy working with SJC students as they gain experience in music education. At home, I enjoy incorporating produce from the Hoop House into our meals."

Todd and Jenn Huff exemplify what it means to be a Puma and what it means to be involved for life. They support the College in so many ways, through their work, monetarily, and by giving their time and efforts for the betterment of the College. They strive to help give current students the support they were given in their time at SJC and to help them achieve their goals.



"Since graduating from SJC, I have maintained regular contact with several of my professors," said Todd. "Now, as an instructor in the MBA program, I enjoy helping students take steps toward their goals. I felt so fortunate to meet up with my former professors and students at Homecoming this year!"

Todd and Jenn display their puma pride with all they do to support the College in their everyday lives. Their basement is just the physical embodiment of that pride.



ALUMNUS JOE REILLY '64 GIVES \$400,000 GIFT TO FUND A FULL TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

SJC Alumnus Joe Reilly '64 has given \$400,000 to the college that he says helped shapehis future and led him to success. Calling Reilly's gift "transformational," Saint Joseph College President Dr. Robert A. Pastoor said, "It will fund a major technological upgrade that will benefit current students and staff and enhance what we have to offer students moving forward."



Jose Arteaga '17 talking with the Reillys after the dedication.

In an age of ever increasing dependence on technology, the gift allows the College to address technology needs in the Courtney and Shen auditoriums located in the Rev. Charles Banet, C.PP.S. Core Education Center and 29 classrooms in both the Core Education Center and the Evans Arts and Science Building. The upgrades are very critical in enabling our faculty to use the latest technology to teach students and give them a great education.

Reilly's inspiration came this past September when he attended his 50th class reunion and toured SJC's new high tech business laboratory. Impressed and wowed by the new opportunities it presents to students, he was compelled to consider a

major gift that would have a similar impact. At that moment, Reilly turned to SJC Director of Major Gifts Anthony Maidenberg for insight into what was most needed, which was an update to the College's technology infra-

structure. That conversation led to a face-to-face meeting between Joe Reilly and new SJC president Dr. Robert A. Pastoor. Impressed by Pas-

Joseph M. Reilly, Jr. '64 and Patricia Reilly ph's College is grateful to Joseph M. Reilly, Jr. '64 and illy for their 2015 gift enabling the College to enhance the chnology in the Courtney and Shen auditoriums of the ries Banet, C.P.P.S. Core Education Center and nce and transform students' r community of scholars.

toor's experience and ability to lead the College in the right direction, Reilly gave his \$400,000 gift to cover the \$366,000 cost for a full technology update, plus additional to cover any variation and/or overrun on the project.

Joe Reilly certainly knows how to identify a need and fulfill it. He forged a notable career in information technology, founding Payroll Control Systems in 1995, a company

that provides payroll processing services and Human Capital Management to businesses in all 50 states. He built the business in Minneapolis, Phoenix, and Milwaukee. A few years ago, he sold the Minneapolis Company and continues to oversee the other two companies.

While at SJC, Joe Reilly recalls being guided by strictly enforced rules, but also caring teachers and administrators who sincerely wanted him to earn his degree. "If I had gone to a big school, I never would have survived," said Reilly. "SJC kept me in line and stayed on my case to succeed, preparing and leading me to a successful business career. Now, I want to show my gratitude by giving back and paying it forward." Pat Reilly, Joe's wife of 35 years added, "Joe has always talked of the impact that SJC has made on his/our life. I'm delighted we can help the College in this way."

On October 17, as part of the Inauguration Week activities, the College honored the Reillys with a dedication ceremony for the newly named Joseph '64 and Patricia Reilly

> Core Foyer. Dr. Pastoor also presented the Reillys with a plaque and a portrait that will remain on display indefinitely in the Foyer to honor their gift. Grateful for their contribution, Dr. Pastoor said, "Joe and Pat's gift not only expresses their loyalty to the <mark>College, but mo</mark>re importantly, their support for everyone at the school

to move Saint Joe forward into a strong and healthy future."

Dr. Pastoor with Joseph '64 and Patricia Reilly in front of the plaque honoring their gift.

DONNA O'REILLY COMMITS

TO \$1 MILLION ESTATE GIFT

Donna O'Reilly recently pledged a gift of \$1 million to Saint Joseph's College in honor of her late husband, alumnus Tom O'Reilly '73. Her donation will go towards scholarships to help other students get their education and make their own memories at the school from which Tom earned his degree.

Tom and Donna both grew up in Elmhurst, Ill., though they did not meet until college. While on summer break going into her sophomore year and his junior year, they met at a party at a friend's house back home in Elmhurst.

During the summers throughout college, Tom worked at Hassett Moving and Storage, an Allied agency, moving furniture. After his graduation in 1973 with a degree in Business, Tom began working in the office there full time. He started with dispatching drivers and movers and worked his way up the ladder. Tom and Donna married in December of 1975. Shortly after they began their marriage, he suggested starting an air freight company, which they named Allied Air Freight. The air freight company grew very quickly and in September of 1980, the owners of Hassett Moving and Storage decided it was time they sell. So, Tom, along with three other men he worked with, bought Hassett Moving and Storage. They soon broke their partnership with Allied and the air freight

company was renamed Hassett Air Express.

"From there, he just built the air freight company, using commercial airlines to move any kind of freight that they could put in the belly of a commercial or passenger plane," said Donna. "The niche that Tom found was in the time-sensitive publishing industry, where he could help publishers save money on postage by air freighting the printed materials from a printing plant to, let's say, California. Then that postal service would deliver to the subscribers in California, so he would skip postal zones, which would save the publishers money."

Donna graduated from Illinois State University with a History degree and a Political Science minor in 1974. She began working as a bank teller for Elmhurst Federal Savings and Loan soon after graduation and was there for 15 years, during which she worked her way up to being the manager of one of the branches. She stopped working after Tom started his business, but returned as one of the partners of Hassett Moving and Storage/Hassett Air Express after his passing in October of 1999. She eventually became the Chief Financial Officer, which she remained until they sold the company in October, 2013 to the then president.

Giving back has always been very important to both Tom and Donna.

"Tom and I never had children. That was obviously not in our cards, but we both were very strong into education and helping kids. When Tom was working, he chose an institution called the Institute for Student Achievement, which is located in or just outside of New York City. They help build schools in the inner cities to help kids who are doing very, very poorly in school get a better education and go on to college. He got involved in this particular organization and I took up the cause after he passed away and started a scholarship there."

> Donna decided to continue that calling with her planned estate gift to SJC. She knew she wanted to do more with education and, with Tom graduating from the College, it was an easy decision to direct her attention to SJC.

> "As I got older and started working on what I want to do with my money, education was always part of that realm," said Donna. "Since he went to school there, got his education there, why not help others go there?"

> > Donna O'Reilly

MEET THE

n an interview shortly after accepting the position of president of Saint Joseph's College, President Robert A. Pastoor stated that learning the history and the culture of the College was one of his immediate goals. In his short, but productive, time here, President Pastoor has started on that mission. One of the ways he has accomplished this goal was through meeting and getting to know the SJC alumni and friends. Throughout the spring and summer, several "Meet the President" events took place and hundreds of members of the SJC community took the opportunity to meet President Pastoor and to learn his vision for the future of the College.

The SJC alumni play a vital role in all aspects of the College, so ensuring that they are aware at all times of what direction SJC is moving is essential.

"By attending a 'Meet the President' event in Indianapolis, I was able to witness up close how committed Dr. Pastoor is to the continuing success of Saint Joseph's College," said Joe Carey '68. "He is a welcoming person with a sincere desire to listen to and execute ideas that can upgrade the 'Brand' of Saint Joe."

Events took place in Naperville, Ill. (sponsored by Mike '85 and Kristyn Van Eekeren); Rensselaer, Ind. (hosted by The Council of Fellows); River Forest, Ill. (sponsored by Jan Pyrce '73); Cedar Lake, Ind. (sponsored by Jim '80 and Kris '82 Sakelaris); and two in Indianapolis, Ind., one downtown (sponsored by Katz, Sapper, and Miller LLP) and one on the north side (sponsored by John Gause '84 and Apex Benefits Group).

"The event was an excellent way to meet and catch up with alumni, while celebrating a renewed sense of the bright future of Saint Joseph's College," said Colby Alexis '14. "Meeting the President and seeing his energy and the effect of that energy on our alumni gives me great hope for the College, and I think Pumas everywhere have something to be really excited about."

The "Meet the President" events will continue in Florida in January 2016. To register, visit pumas.saintjoe.edu/upcoming-events.











PRESIDENT

SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

CELEBRATING A 125 YEAR LEGACY WITH PRESIDENT ROBERT A. PASTOOR

WHO WE ARE

A private Catholic college welcoming students from all faiths. The College was founded by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood in 1889.



ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

1,200 students from 23 states and 8 countries

ABOUT OUR ACADEMICS

27 majors, 4 group majors, 35 minors, 9 pre-professional programs, 3 master's programs

ABOUT OUR NATIONALLY ACCLAIMED CORE PROGRAM

During their eight semesters of Core, students use Christian humanism principles to examine value-oriented questions and ethical issues so that they may apply these principles to dilemmas they will encounter in the workplace. Because Core is spread over all four years, students get to start their major their freshman year.

ABOUT ATHLETICS

18 varsity sports (9 women's/9 men's)
Division II
Great Lakes Valley Conference

OUR TOP 10 ENROLLED MAJORS

- 1. Nursing
- Biology/Chemistry/Biology-Chemistry/ Medical Laboratory Sciences
- 3. Business Administration
- 4. Physical Education/Sports Management/Athletic Training
- 5. Criminal Justice
- 6. Elementary Education
- 7. Psychology
- 8. Accounting
- 9. Music
- 10. English/English-Creative Writing

ABOUT JOB PLACEMENT AFTER GRADUATION

98% of SJC's Class of 2014 are employed or in full-time graduate/professional school (based on survey respondents).

WHAT OUR PEERS THINK IN 2014-2015

- ► Named a "Best in the Midwest" college by the Princeton Review
- ▶ Named a "Military Friendly School" by G.I. Jobs
- Named the seventh "Best Value College in the Midwest" and a "Best College in the Midwest" by US New Media Group

HOW TO BE INVOLVED FOR LIFE

- ▶ Recruit Students Recruiting one student who spends four years at SJC is like giving a \$40,000 donation. Recruiting 10 is like giving a \$400,000 donation.
- ► Represent SJC at College Fairs and High Schools The Office of Admissions is looking for alumni volunteers to share their SJC experience with prospective students across the country.
- ▶ Join the Alumni Association The Alumni Association's purpose is to unify all SJC alumni for service to the College. The Association helps with Homecoming, Little 500, and more.
- ► Register Your Alumni Status Visit pumas. saintjoe.edu to register for our NetCommunity, which will keep you updated on campus and alumni-related events opportunities.
- Line Up Internships Is your business or a business you know of looking for interns? Contact SJC's Career Center to help students get the hands-on experience they need to be successful.

(LEFT WITH DR. ROBERT PASTOOR) 1 Steve '62 and Winne Ligda. 2 Jim Madden '64 and Steve Ligda '62. 3 Kris Sakelaris '82 and James Sakelaris '80. 4 Mike '85 and Kristyn Van Eekeren. 5 Jim '64 and Drina Madden.

SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

INAUGURATES 18TH PRESIDENT

Caint Joseph's College officially installed Dr. Robert A. Pastoor as its 18th president on October 16 in the Saint Joseph's Chapel. The joyous ceremony was officiated by Bishop Timothy Doherty, V. Rev. Larry Hemmelgarn, C.PP.S. '79 offered the opening prayer, and several members of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood concelebrated.

The ceremony included music performed by Music Ministry, the SJC Chamber Singers, and various additional musicians. One of the many beautiful songs performed that afternoon was "Of the Many, One/De Todos, Uno," which was composed by Associate Professor of Church Music and Liturgy Steven Janco, DMin. An additional ritual in the ceremony was the Presentation of Symbols where symbolic gifts were presented by various constituencies, including the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the Rensselaer community. Also included were various readings, one of which was done by Dr. Pastoor's son Tully Lynch-Pastoor '19; the Presentation of the President's Medallion; the president's remarks; and the blessing of the president.

Throughout his remarks, Dr. Pastoor discussed the concept of his presidency being a pilgrimage, not just for him, but for every member of the SJC community. "It is a journey that I am willingly undertaking but it is very clear to me that this cannot be a journey of solitude," said Dr. Pastoor. "As we embark, let me make it very clear that this will not be a journey of a few miles. It will be a long and sometimes, arduous journey, but we can successfully complete this...together!"

Dr. Pastoor continued his pilgrimage metaphor throughout and challenged those who journey with him to keep an open mind. "We leave this afternoon, knowing that

1 Dr. Robert A. Pastoor addressing the crowd. 2 Students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of the College attended the Inauguration of Dr. Robert Pastoor. 3 The Inaugural

Procession. 4 Dr. Robert Pastoor and Ann Marie Lynch.



our pilgrimage is just starting and that it will take all of us, faculty, staff, students, parents, alumni, donors, and friends of the College to be able to complete this very important journey. 'I ask that we travel boldly, with our eyes wide open and minds receptive to the new and extraordinary.' In this way we remain loyal to our past but we know that our future cannot only reside in our past. Each person that believes in what we do from here on in will be part of what we become."

Dr. Pastoor was named SJC's 18th president on January 28, 2015 and began work at the College on March 16. He brings more than 30 years of experience in higher education administration to SJC, including serving as the vice president for student life for the past five years at Marietta College of Marietta Ohio.

In his time at SJC thus far, Dr. Pastoor has made quite an impact. He has secured major gifts, \$400,000 from alumnus Joe '64, and his wife Pat, Reilly for a full technology upgrade and a \$1,000,000 planned estate gift from the estate of Donna (Tom '73) O'Reilly; met and discussed his vision for the College with hundreds of alumni and friends; and launched the IMPACT Initiative, a strategic approach to addressing the challenges SJC faces looking forward by focusing on critical priorities. As impressive as his time thus far has been, Dr. Pastoor has no plans to slow down. Looking forward, he intends to introduce online education, strengthen our Master's programs, introduce more undergraduate programs, increase the overall number of students, particularly international students, and intensify fundraising efforts to address the financial challenges SJC faces.

"I anticipate staying at Saint Joe for as long as I can be of service to the community in moving the College into the future,"







MEET THE PRESIDENT

SCHEDULE



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Hosted by Tom '65 and Melinda Mooney Murphy's Grand Irish Pub 713 King Street Alexandria, VA 22314 5:00-8:00 pm EST pumas.saintjoe.edu/DC RSVP by January 25

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Hosted by Mark '80 and Gerardyne Behnke 276 Capital Avenue NE Battle Creek, MI 49017-3922 5:30-8:00 pm EST pumas.saintjoe.edu/BattleCreek RSVP by January 27

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Hosted by Matt '92 and Nichole Brace 8508 Groveland Drive Dallas, TX 75218-4310 Time TBA pumas.saintjoe.edu/Dallas RSVP by February 8

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Hosted by Mike '79 and Mary Fricke Moyer '79 991 West Kettle Avenue Littleton, CO 80120-4444 6:00-8:00 pm pumas.saintjoe.edu/Denver RSVP by February 10

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

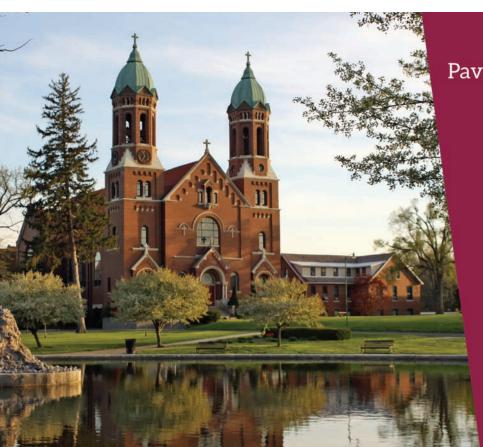
Hosted by Joe '64 and Pat Reilly 20235 North Sundance Way Surprise, AZ 85374-4913 3:00-7:00 pm MST pumas.saintjoe.edu/Phoenix RSVP by February 12

MARCH 2016

Hosted by George '80 and Mary Ellen Vesely Liggett '80 and President Emeritus Ernest and Liz Mills 8 Willow Oak Road West Hilton Head Island, SC 29928-4409 pumas.saintjoe.edu/HiltonHead RSVP by March 1

APRIL 2016

Oakland/San Francisco Hosted by Mary Ann Dreiling '71



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> Alumni play a critical role in sharing our story. We want to hear yours! How has Saint Joseph's College impacted you? Why would you recommend a student come to Saint Joseph's College? Did you purchase a paver? If so, tell us your story!

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> #SJCimpact #WeAreSJC #MovingForwardGivingBack

We want to feature our wonderful alumni and how they impact SJC.













































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SJC ALUMNI GIVE BACK

The motto of Saint Joseph's College is "Involved for Life." This idea can be seen all over campus, from the professors and faculty who were once students at SJC to the alumni in the stands at athletic events or in the audience during plays or concerts to the renovations that would not be possible without the donations of those same alumni. One area where the depth and truth of the concept of "Involved for Life" is most apparent is in networking.

In recent years, numerous students have gotten internships and/or jobs with the help of recommendations from alumni. Without this assistance from alumni, these students likely would not have received these opportunities.

The first example that comes to most people's minds when discussing networking at SJC is the annual Chicago Business Networking event. Each year alumni of all ages meet current students in Chicago to share their stories over drinks and appetizers. They also assist the students in any way they can with their career paths, whether it be with advice or with an internship opportunity.

One graduate who has benefited from networking with alumni is Clayton Marrs '15. With the help of alumnus

John Stitz '87, Marrs interned at enVista in the summer of 2014. EnVista is a leading global supply chain consulting, transportation, and IT services firm. They focus on delivering services and salutations that improve profitability, enhance customer service, and reduce waste from source to consumption. At enVista, Marrs was a Business Development and Sales intern. He was paired with a member of the Outside Sales team

and assisted with his daily schedule, which included sitting in during prospect calls, developing and executing marketing campaigns, and working on a variety of Customer Relationship Management (CRM) maintenance projects.

"With the job market being ultra-competitive, I'm grateful for the opportunity to begin my career at enVista," said Marrs. "Being selected to work for a company that has

seen sustained growth and success is a true blessing. John Stitz, senior manager partner at enVista, epitomizes the motto 'Involved for Life' by appreciating the educational competencies of the SJC Department of Business students."

Another student who has benefited from the help of alumni is Rachel Slauter '16. Slauter has been interning with the Jasper Foundation since summer 2014, an opportunity she received because of alumna Kristen Ziese '05. The Jasper Foundation is a nonprofit organization that assists donors in creating a source of assets to meet the evolving needs of charity and the interests of the people who live in Jasper County. Slauter is very interested in social media and how to use it to project a company's voice and mission. At the Jasper Foundation, she has been given

the opportunity to manage the Facebook and LinkedIn page. She also ran the Ladies Luncheon that took place on April 22. She was in charge of every aspect of this event from food to invitations to décor.

"Kristen is an awesome boss and she is great to work for," said Slauter. "She gives me a lot of freedom to do things that interest me. This internship has taught me that work is so







Top: Clayton Marrs '15 at enVista. Left: John Stitz '87. Right: Kristen Ziese '05.



THROUGH NETWORKING

much easier when you are doing something you love! I don't want to just settle with a certain job just for the money—I want to do something I truly love and have a passion for."

Andrew Pluckebaum '17 also had an internship opportunity over the previous winter break because of alumnus Richard

Huffine '80. Pluckebaum interned at Cunningham Restaurant Group, which has established 13 restaurants throughout Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Louisville, Ky., and Lexington, Ky. and is planning to establish more within the next year. He worked with Huffine in the Indianapolis office on a fixed asset conversion

project for their recently opened restaurants and for the restaurants that will open soon.

"I'm very thankful to Rich Huffine for the internship opportunity and thankful to everyone else there that took me in and worked with me," said Pluckebaum. "I'm glad I could help out at Cunningham Restaurant Group. It is a great company and I enjoyed the experience of working there."

The alumni of SJC recognize that the College helped them get to where they are today. They are very thankful

for this and they want to give back to help other students achieve success in their chosen fields, as well.

"I believe that it is important to support the institutions that you associate with daily or that have provided you with





Left: Rachel Slauter '16. Right: Rich Huffine '80.

great opportunities in life," said Huffine. "I have been fortunate to have had many opportunities provided to me that I took advantage of and made into successful experiences. I am hopeful that my children and other students will have many opportunities for a great education to allow them to achieve success."

At SJC, students learn to get involved. The small size of the campus makes this essential, and it is not a habit that disappears upon graduation.

"Joining accounting/business clubs, playing soccer, participating in intramurals, racing in Little 500, assisting to

build the Union Board (now PAC), and just having fun with the people around me were all important ways for me to get involved," said Huffine. "Because these were all great life lessons for me, I have remained involved and have made a habit of giving back over the last 35 years, not only with SJC, but with church, coaching, my children's activities, intern programs, and professional organizations."

One of the aspects of SJC that is the most unique to the College is the loyalty that alumni feel towards the institution and

to the students that continue to attend. They consistently give back monetarily, with support, and in any other way they can think of to truly embody the motto of "Involved for Life."

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S aint Joseph's College's Habitat for Humanity Chapter travelled to Romania in May for their biannual international trip. A group of eleven individuals, made up of students, faculty, and administrators, departed from O'Hare on May 15 and spent the following 48 hours either flying or briefly exploring the countries they passed through on their way to Romania.

They traveled first to Amsterdam where they spent their brief time visiting the Anne Frank House before rushing back to the airport to fly to Budapest. Their layover here was spent experiencing Hungarian food and attending morning Mass at a Roman Catholic Church.

"While the Mass was completely in Hungarian, we were still able to follow along with the traditions," said **Hanna Kane '15**. "It was a subtle reminder of how so many of us across the world have different lives, histories, and languages, yet there is one thing that can bring us together -- our love for Christ."

After church, they made the four hour drive into Romania where they met the Habitat for Humanity affiliate who welcomed them with a meal complete with traditional fish egg salad.

During their time in Romania, the group worked on three houses in two different cities. The first two homes were in Oradea and were part of the Caminul Felix Program, an independent, Christian

organization that works to meet the needs of orphaned and abandoned children. It is essentially a group of foster families and in each home, there may be up to 20 foster children of various ages all being raised by two parents, who may also have biological children who live in the home as well.

The first home was a triplex, or a single resident home. Here SJC Habitat installed soffit on the outer edge of the roof. Three members of the team worked on both ends of the building for two days.

The second project was installing a second level to a completed frame work for a house that is now acting as a

HABITAT FOR **HUMANITY'S MISSION IS** TO PUT THEIR MEMBERS' FAITH INTO ACTION BY VOLUNTEERING BOTH THEIR TIME AND THEIR TALENTS IN ORDER TO HELP WITH THE ELIMINATION OF **POVERTY HOUSING NOT** ONLY IN THE U.S. BUT AROUND THE WORLD. THE SJC HABITAT TEAM LIVES THIS MESSAGE WITH EVERY DAY BUILD THEY DO AND EVERY

TRIP THEY TAKE.

transition home for a Caminul Felix family. When families first begin in the program, they are very large and so they live in much larger homes. As the families grow older and their older children move away, they no longer need as much space. The home that SJC Habitat worked on is for a family that is downsizing and another growing family moved into the house they vacated. Here, team members placed ceramic blocks and beams on the wood frames, set the foundation for the front stairs, shoveled rocks, built wood frames, mixed and poured concrete, lifted bricks, and attached wire to rebar.

While at this site, in addition to their work, the team had a barbecue prepared for them by one of the families they worked with. They also played futbol with the children.

After three days in Oradea, the team travelled to Beius. Their first full day was a designated off day which they spent exploring the local markets that sold everything from fruits and vegetables to

clothing and shoes to furniture and animals. The rest of the day, the team split up. One group explored the town square, churches, and local shops and even got to see a folk festival.

The following day was their first day on their new work site. Their project here was helping to build a three room home for a





family of four. Prior to the Habitat team's work, the family lived in a two room home that had no running water.

Their first task here was installing roof trusses by removing and disassembling molds, finishing the construction of trusses, and lifting them onto the top of the house. Team members took a break from this hard work to play with the family's goats and to travel by wagon up the nearby hill.

The next day, the team attempted to finish the roof trusses, but was foiled by rain. After napping in their hotel, they went to an all-girls orphanage where they played futbol with the girls then went to dinner.

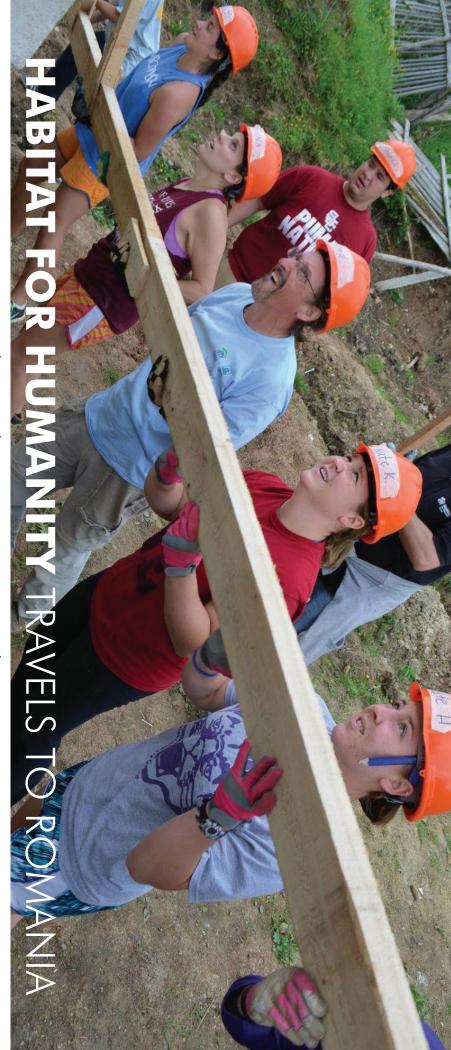
For the rest of the trip, rain continued to be a problem. They had to work as quickly as possible, and sometimes through lunch, to beat the afternoon storms. Despite their battles with the rain, the team triumphed and was able to complete the roof in their short time in Beius.

Habitat for Humanity's mission is to put their members' faith into action by volunteering both their time and their talents in order to help with the elimination of poverty housing not only in the U.S. but around the world.

The SJC Habitat team lives this message with every day build they do and every trip they take. Their Romania journey is just one more example of the meaningful work they do. In the past, they have traveled to Tanzania, Chile, Guatemala, Macedonia, and Nicaragua and spread their hard work across the globe. For their next trip, they are staying in the country and will be visiting Georgia over Spring Break. Their next international trip is still in the planning stages.

PUMAS WHO WENT ON THE TRIP

Katelyn Konow '15, Hanna Kane '15, Gabe Perez '17, Kate Hickner'16, Molly Flynn'16, Jessica Curbis'14, Jody Taylor-Watkins, Fred Berger, Richard Arredondo '15, Stephen Nichols'16, and Jose Arteaga'17





SHE'S GOT SPIRIT

ADRIANA LUGOSAN '16

uring her time at SJC, Adriana Lugosan '16 has proven to be the epitome of Puma Pride. In addition to pursuing a double major in Biology and Chemistry, Lugosan is both the cheerleading captain and the vice president of the Puma Activities Council (PAC). Few, if any, have more school spirit than Adri.

In her role as cheerleading captain, Lugosan has helped organize and lead numerous team activities, including cheers at both basketball and football games, halftime performances, coordination of fundraising ideas, recruitment, and budgeting.

"I have always been involved in cheerleading, and SJC gave me the opportunity to continue doing what I love," said Lugosan. "I really value the relationships I have made with my teammates. I have met some of my best friends here on campus through this program. I couldn't imagine cheering for our football and basketball teams from the stands; the sideline is where I fit in best!"

Lugosan has also coordinated numerous events as a member of PAC. In 2014, she was the Little 500 chair and was responsible for arranging meetings for drivers and a number of race day events. After being named vice president, she has helped brainstorm and organize events with other PAC members and outside clubs. Some of these events include Let's Make a Deal, The Amazing Race, comedians, magicians, and the Puma Bus event.

Lugosan performing a basket toss at Homecoming 2012

with PAC has been so fulfilling," said Lugosan.

"My experience

"I was not super involved in high school, and when I came to SJC, I felt compelled to join a club. PAC was the first club that called out to me and immediately gained my interest. This was something I had never had any experience with, and it was one of the best decisions I have ever made."

Lugosan's involvement on campus does not end with cheerleading and PAC. She brings her spirit to all of her roles on campus, including being a freshman leader, acting as a student ambassador, working as a Chemistry Lab assistant, and serving as a peer tutor.

"Being a Puma is different than being part of any other college community," said Lugosan. "We are a small school, and that creates a family atmosphere. I especially like walking to class and seeing familiar faces that smile, nod, and say hello. I feel comfortable with the people and the staff here at SJC. The 'Involved For Life' statement could not be more accurate. The bonds I have made here are something I would not have been able to make anywhere else!"

PRODUCING PUMA PRIDE: SHAWN HURST '94

lmost every SJC student hears about the importance of being "Involved for Life" before they graduate, and most stay true to the tagline in one way or another. However, Shawn Hurst '94 has shown an exceptional commitment to the College and his Puma family since his time at SJC. Shortly after graduating, Hurst created an upstart business called Northstar Promotions, Inc., a marketing firm that produces branded merchandise in Indianapolis, Ind. Serving as the president of his business, Hurst has continued to show his Puma Pride and stay "Involved for Life" at SJC by bringing merchandise to campus and helping students and alumni show their Puma Pride.

Students and alumni have undoubtedly seen Northstar Promotions' merchandise at many alumni and Admissions events. Hurst's company has been responsible for much of the promotional SJC merchandise, including the tumblers given away as party favors at "Partnership for the Future" events in 2015 and the fan-fans used by Puma fans and cheerleaders at the SJC vs. UIndy football game, which was broadcast live on CBS Sports Network in 2014. Northstar Promotions, Inc. has also provided various other marketing materials to the College for the last 19 years.

Hurst has also been directly involved with campus events. He served as the keynote speaker for the 2011-12 Academic Convocation. He remains active in SJC's Department of Business, attending SJC's Career Fest and the Department of Business' networking events, providing student internships at Northstar, participating in the Core Workshop at SJC, and serving as a guest speaker for Business classes. He sponsored an Alumni Admissions reception and has attended other

SJC events around Indianapolis, which have allowed him to network and spend time with students. Hurst serves as a sponsor of Admissions applications for prospective students. He also continues to support Puma Athletics, participating in the Alumni Soccer Game and attending athletic events, including soccer, basketball, and football.

"For me, it has always been easy to be involved and show pride as an alumnus of SJC," Hurst said. "I had a wonderful four years at the College, and it comes naturally to want to promote that experience to others. I think our collective efforts as alumni in showing or promoting that pride will have a positive impact on the success of SJC in the future."

"Shawn takes a genuine interest in the lives of Pumas and it shows," said Director of Alumni and Parent Relations Kendra Illingworth '93, MBA '14. "His willingness to talk with students about their career paths and stay involved with academic and athletic programs is invaluable. He is always onhand to lend his marketing expertise to make our events and programs the best they can be."

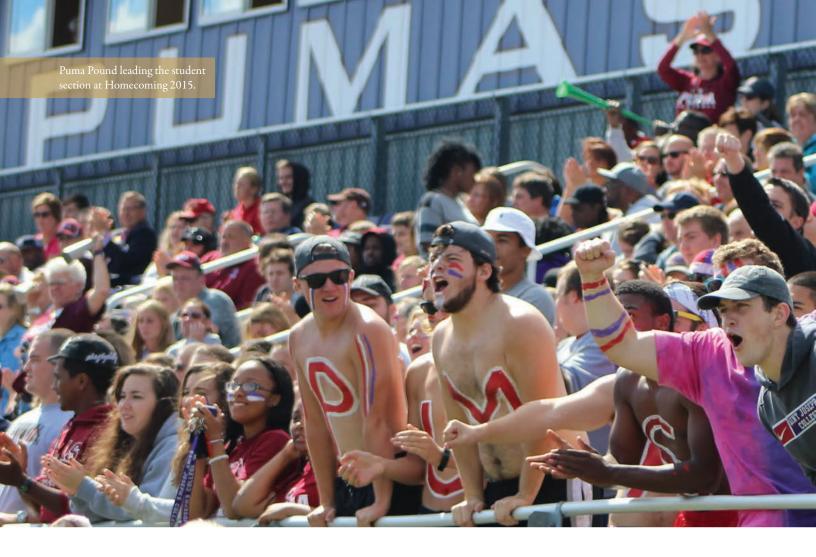
Since his graduation, Shawn Hurst has become the epitome of the SJC tagline: "Involved for Life." However, Hurst recognizes the role that the SJC community plays in making the tagline a reality. "I think ['Involved for Life'] personifies what every college is hopeful of once their students graduate and become alumni. Once you graduate, you are a part of a Puma family that is larger than yourself. That elicits positive feelings, memories, and emotions and creates a real sense of pride -- Puma Pride!"

WE NEED 500 SIGNATURES!

THE ALUMNI OFFICE is applying for a Saint Joseph's College Indiana specialty license plate. The first step is to collect 500 original signatures from Indiana residents willing to make the purchase. It's an easy way to promote SJC everywhere you go and \$25.00 from each plate sale goes toward scholarships for SJC students from Indiana!



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PUMA POUND INSPIRES PUMA PRIDE

From parting the Red Sea at last year's Homecoming to the Beach Theme at one of last year's basketball games to the chalk toss at the televised football game at the University of Indianapolis, the Puma

Pound has made quite an impact in its short time as a club at Saint Joseph's College. The Puma Pound originated when Student Association President Anthony Majewski '16 suggested to Joseph Krisch '15 and Biology major Katelyn Konow '15 that they make a club out of the student section. This would allow the student section to gain funds they could use to make the games more memorable both for the students in the stands and for those on the field.

Majewski chose to approach Krisch and Konow with this idea because of their high levels of school spirit which had already made them unofficial leaders of the student section. Both Krisch and Konow were also highly involved in the Puma Activities Council, which brings the fun to campus with events such as The Amazing Race, the LightItUp! Rave at Homecoming the past two years, Mr. and Ms. Puma competitions, magicians,

comedians, and more, so Majewski knew they would have no problem handling this responsibility.

When approached, both Krisch and Konow loved the idea. They made it their mission to create this club and make it a success. This is a goal that has clearly been accomplished. Since the club's creation, the amount of students attending each game has risen noticeably. They even partnered with PAC for a beach-themed

basketball game that resulted in a new record of attendees last year. Not only are more people physically at the games, but more of them are sitting/standing together, are participating in the themes, and taking part in the cheers.



Puma Pound members enjoying Homecoming 2015.



"One of the goals of the Puma Pound was to show students how to have pride in our school and all of the great things that can arise when we are all in attendance at events," said Konow. "This unity is very imperative to have and leaves a huge impression on alumni and prospective students. In the future, I hope to see

the Puma Pound thrive and the enjoyment of students to skyrocket as they cheer on their peers together."

This is not just home games either. The Puma Pound has also organized buses to transport students to football games against both Valparaiso University and the University of Indianapolis, and the exhibition game at Butler

University this past fall, which caused the levels of support for the team at those games to rise dramatically from years past.

"This club has benefited the school in a sense because everyone is in this club," said Krisch. "Everybody here supports

SJC, so this club has 1200 members! It has also helped increase attendance at sporting events and made school spirit a normal and expected thing each year."

With both of the clubs original leaders graduating last May, the Puma Pound could have fallen apart. New president

Clayton Bateman '18 is determined not to let that happen. Bateman and the Puma Pound have big plans for this year, including a White Out Night, a chalk throw, a 'Merica theme, a "Parting the Red Seas" theme, a Beach theme, and more.

When asked about the club's goals, Bateman replied, "Whether it's thinking of themes for games or

new cheers, we are always striving to improve the overall Puma Pride on campus, one game at a time. School spirit is our number one priority!"



Puma Pound leads the student section in a chalk throw at the televised game against the University of Indianapolis last year.

BASEBALL PROSPECTS

June 10 was a good day for the Saint Joseph's College baseball program and Head Coach Rick O'Dette '98. SJC saw Brian Bayliss, Jr. and Keegan Long, two starting pitchers get selected in the 2015 Major League Baseball Amateur Draft.

It is something that is not all that uncommon for Coach O'Dette. In his 15 years as the head coach of the Pumas, 22 players have moved on to play professional baseball. players have hooked on to a minor league system.



Brian Bayliss, Jr.

Bayliss was taken in the 18th round with the 549th pick by the World Series Champions, the Kansas City Royals. Long was taken in the 29^{th} round with 856^{th} pick overall by the Arizona Diamondbacks. It was the first draft picks for the SJC baseball program since 2009 when Shane Zegarac and Mike Pericht were taken in the draft. Eric Meyerchick '12 and Jake Roberts '13 signed free agent contracts after the draft in 2012 and 2013 respectively.

A few hours after being drafted, Long reached an agreement with the Diamondbacks and flew to Arizona to sign his contract. Bayliss followed a few days later.

Bayliss was assigned to play for the Idaho Falls Chukars of the Pioneer league. In 18 appearances, the tall right-hander posted a 1-2 record out of the bullpen with a 6.39 ERA. In 25.1 innings, he recorded 21 strikeouts against eight walks.

"In college every team had at least two or three good hitters," explained Bayliss. "In professional baseball, all of the hitters are good hitters. Although this does not mean it is impossible to pitch well against them, you just have to make high quality pitches more often and cut out the mistakes because the hitters will not miss a mistake often."

A typical day starts around 2:30 in the afternoon for Bayliss when he arrives at the park. All players would get ready for pregame activities and meet with the trainers to get stretched out. After running and throwing sessions, the pitchers would shag balls for the position players taking batting practice. Once BP was finished the players would head back into the clubhouse for the pregame meal and get ready for that evening's game.



Keegan Long

Keegan Long went to single-A Missoula, Montana, to play for the Ospreys. Long posted a 2-0 mark with two saves in 23 appearances. In 26.2 innings, Long posted a razor thin .68 ERA with 36 strikeouts and eight walks. A starting pitcher for the Pumas, Long saw a velocity increase out of the bullpen and has gotten late-inning work as a closer.

Like Bayliss, Long also sees a significant difference in the hitters. As he noted, the hitters in the minor league system wait

for a specific pitch while in college most hitters are looking to swing at strikes in the zone.

The significant difference for Long is the atmosphere around the game. "A big difference I have seen from college to professional is that pro baseball is much more business oriented," commented Long. "College baseball is more of an extracurricular, here in the pros this is your job now. The game is approached differently than what I saw in college."

Long has a similar day as Bayliss as he arrives to the park at noon and gets ready for conditioning at 2:30. He runs through fielding practice and throwing before batting practice. After BP, Long would get in his workout before the game, leaving about an hour to relax before first pitch.

Both had plans of returning to SJC to fulfill degree requirements this past fall, but were tabbed as prospects for each organization and kept playing through September and kept working with the organization into October.

It is hard to keep in touch with SJC on the road, but both Bayliss and Long communicate with their former teammates and coaches to follow what is happening back on campus.

Bayliss was 13-10 in an SJC uniform with 180.1 completed innings and 181 strikeouts against 42 walks. He also earned All-GLVC honors twice in his career. Long appeared in nine games for the Pumas this past season and completed 54.1 innings with 3.15 ERA. Long walked only eight batters and held the opposition to a .252 batting average. His 67 strikeouts this past season ranked fourth in the GLVC.

SOFTBALL COACH DIANE STEPHENSON

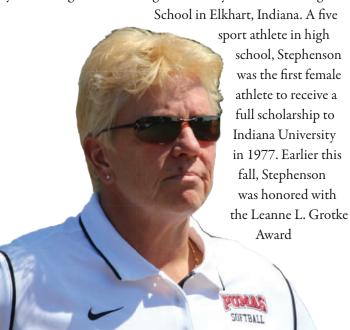
RETIRES IN 2015

Diane Stephenson, Head Coach of the Saint Joseph's College softball team, has decided to retire her position effective December 2015. Audra Rains '14 will serve as Interim Head Coach for the 2016 season with the possibility of being promoted by season's end.

"Diane has been a tremendous influence on our campus community over the past three years," said Director of Athletics Bill Massoels '89. "She has put her own time into upgrading our facility, as well as mentoring other coaches on our staff. She approached coaching with an unmatched amount of

enthusiasm. Diane and her family are in a position where they can retire and enjoy more time in a warmer climate and we extend our thanks for her guidance while a member of our staff."

Stephenson has been associated with softball for over 40 years, dating back to her high school days at Concord High





Interim Head Softball Coach Audra Rains '14

presented by the Indiana University I Association, one of the most prestigious awards given to an IU graduate.

After helping the Hoosiers to back-toback AIAW College World Series appearances in 1979 and 1980, Stephenson went on to be an assistant coach with IU. She later became the head coach of her alma mater in 1987 and posted a career record of 453-464-4.

Stephenson coached the Hoosiers until 2002 and later served as an assistant with Iowa and Purdue Universities before being hired at SJC in the summer of 2014. The Pumas are 34-

53 over the past two seasons with a 24-38 mark in Great Lakes Valley Conference play.

"I appreciated the opportunity Athletic Director Massoels provided me," said Stephenson. "Saint Joseph's has been one of my favorite places to work. The entire coaching staff has been an extended family. Coaching never gets old as long as you can see the players improving and having fun. Audra will do a great job and I am looking forward to see her start her career."

Rains graduated from SJC in 2014 after a four-year career with the Pumas. In that time, Rains helped the Pumas to the 2012 Midwest Super Regional title and fifth place finish in the NCAA College World Series.

Rains saved her best season for last as she batted .262, starting in all 44 games. She collected nine doubles, one triple, three homeruns, and 17 RBIs. Since graduation Rains has been employed at Saint Joseph's College as an Area Director for Housing and Residence Life.

"Audra is familiar with what has already been put in place with our softball program," commented Massoels. "She has been around the program since graduating and having Diane staying on until the end of the semester will help with the transition."

The Pumas finished 18-24 last season with an 11-17 mark in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. With a strong recruiting class surrounding the current roster, the program will continue its upward trend.



Taylor Treesh '05, Daniel Paulsen '08, Doug Datka, and George Badke '68.



Roberts family accepting the Reverend Leonard J. Kostka, C.PP.S. '35 Award on Steve's behalf.

2015 SJC SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

On Saturday, April 25, five honorees were inducted into the Saint Joseph's College Sports Hall of Fame. This year's inductees included: Taylor Treesh '05, George Badke '68, Dan Paulsen '08, Phillip Datka '67, and Steve Roberts.

As a freshman, Taylor Treesh won the GLVC Championship in the discus throw. In the following years, he went on to win two more GLVC titles in 2003 and 2004. During his sophomore season, he qualified for the NCAA Championships and, in 2004 and 2005, he not only qualified for the NCAA Championships where he placed 7th and 8th respectfully, but earned All-American honors as well. During his four years at SJC, Treesh also excelled in the classroom, graduating Cum Laude with a degree in Mathematics. He was a four-year member of the All-Academic GLVC team, as well as a three-year member of the Academic All-American team.

During his time at SJC, George Badke played in 25 games in which he excelled in all aspects of the game. On offense, he made 28 receptions for 286 yards and two touchdowns. On special teams, he returned 30 punts, two for touchdowns. On the defensive side, he made nine interceptions and 93 tackles. In both '66 and '67, Badke made the Indiana Collegiate Conference (ICC) All-Conference team.

Dan Paulsen made 238 receptions for 3,581 yards and 29 touchdowns, all of which were records at the time, in his years at SJC. He holds the record for second most all-purpose yards in school history to this day with 3,581. While Paulsen was a star all four years at SJC, 2006 was his strongest year. In that year, he made 82 receptions for 1,121 yards and averaged over a hundred yards per game. This impressive performance led to his first, though not his last, time being named first-team All-Great Lakes Football Conference (GLFC). He was again named First Team All-GLFC in 2007.

Phillip Datka began his coaching career at Francis Jordan High School in Milwaukee where he coached football for two years. He then moved on to Germantown High School where he was the head football coach for 42 years. In his time at Germantown, he led the team to two state championships, eight conference championships, and an overall record of 281 wins and 156 losses. Under his leadership, Germantown qualified for the state playoffs a total of fifteen times and finished in the final four seven times. In his 42 years, Datka was awarded District Coach of the Year several times, Suburban Coach of the Year, Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel Coach of the Year, and Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Coach of the Year. In 2010, the Germantown High School football stadium was renamed the "Germantown Warhawks Datka Stadium" in his honor. The following year, he was inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Steve Roberts became the first recipient of the Reverend Leonard J. Kostka, C.PP.S. '35 Award. This honor was established in 2014 to recognize individuals who show outstanding support to Saint Joseph's College Athletics. Roberts was a life-long resident of Rensselaer, Ind. He graduated from Rensselaer Central High School in 1973 and became involved with SJC Athletics in 1986 when he joined the football chain gang. He eventually moved to the press box and served as a ball spotter until 2010. During the 21st Century Capital Campaign, which was created to raise money for athletic facility improvements, Roberts proudly served as a Team Captain. He was also a major supporter of the 2010 Elite 8 men's basketball team. Additionally, he served as a Fellow of the College from 2006 to 2014.

EVENTS CALENDAR

All times are CDT unless otherwise indicated.

SPRI	NG 2016
1/11	Classes Begin

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1/18	MLK Celebration
	Rev. Charles Banet Core Education Center, 12:00 pm

Presidential Scholarship Competition

1/28-1/30 Winter Play

1/23

Evans Arts and Science Building Theater

1/30 Presidential Scholarship Competition

Saint Gaspar del Bufalo Scholarship Competition 1/30

2/13 Science Olympiad Competition

2/18 Collegiate Career Expo

Spring Break 3/6-3/13

4/1Early Registration

4/3 Spring Band Concert, Halleck Student Ballroom, 2:00 pm

4/7-4/9 Spring Musical

Evans Arts and Science Building Theater

4/12 Academic Colloquium,

Rev. Charles Banet Core Education Center

4/20 Ms. Puma

Evans Arts and Science Building Theater

4/21 Mr. Puma

Evans Arts and Science Building Theater

4/23 Little 500

4/23 Sports Hall of Fame Inductions

4/28 Diversity Coalition Talent Show

Halleck Student Ballroom, 8:00 pm

5/7 Commencement

Richard F. Scharf Memorial Fieldhouse

6/4 54th Annual Fellows Celebration

SPORTS SCHEDULE

All GLVC games are in italics. All games listed are at home.

Men's Basketball

1/3	Kalamazoo College, 3:00 pm
1/7	University of Missouri-St. Louis, 7:30 pm
1/9	Maryville University, 3:00 pm
1/18	University of Indianapolis, 7:30 pm
1/21	McKendree University, 7:30 pm
1/23	University of Illinois Springfield, 3:00 pm
2/4	Truman State University, 7:30 pm
2/6	Quincy University, 3:00 pm

Women's Basketball

1/7	University of Missouri-St. Louis, 5:30 pm
1/9	Maryville University, 1:00 pm
1/18	University of Indianapolis, 5:30 pm
1/21	McKendree University, 5:30 pm
1/23	University of Illinois Springfield, 1:00 pm
2/4	Truman State University, 5:30 pm
2/6	Quincy University, 1:00 pm

Men's Tennis

4/9	Bellarmine University
4/22	University of Indianapolis
4/23	McKendree University

Women's Tennis

4/9	Bellarmine University
4/22	University of Indianapolis
4/23	McKendree University

Men and Women's Track and Field

3/19	Gene and Rose Edmonds Invitational, 10:00 am
3/26	Puma Invitational, 10:00 am

Men's Baseball

4/2	University of Wisconsin-Parkside (DH),
	12:00 pm, 3:00 pm
4/3	University of Wisconsin-Parkside (DH),
	12:00 pm, 3:00 pm
4/5	Oakland University (DH), 12:00 pm, 3:00 pm
4/23	McKendree University (DH), 12:00 pm, 3:00 pm
4/24	McKendree University (DH), 12:00 pm, 3:00 pm
5/7	University of Illinois-Springfield (DH),
	12:00 pm, 3:00 pm
5/8	University of Illinois-Springfield (DH),
	12:00 pm, 3:00 pm

Women's Softball

3/25	University of Wisconsin-Parkside (DH),
	12:00 pm, 2:00 pm
3/26	Lewis University (DH), 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm
3/29	University of Indianapolis (DH), 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm
4/23	Quincy University (DH), 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm
4/24	Truman State University (DH), 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm



LEGACY SPOTLIGHT

ASHLEY BRINKMAN '16

Both of my parents attended SJC, so it seemed like a natural fit. However, when I visited the campus, I felt like I had found a home, and it felt natural to be on campus. My parents always talked about how wonderful life at SJC was, and they were right! My experiences have been nothing but amazing. I love spending hours in the Department of Art and hanging out at Cup O' Joe with my friends. In comparison to my parents, I think our experiences have been similar, despite having different majors.

During my senior year of high school, I decided to be an Art major because I wanted to find a creative outlet for all my energy and feelings. I also added an English minor. I chose Art as my major because I loved meeting SJC's Art professors and getting one-on-one attention. Core has also impacted my life in a way that I knew other schools' programs wouldn't have. Not only have I learned about humanity and the universe, but also about myself and how I view the world.

Ultimately, I want to get my PhD in fine arts, specifically painting. I want to help other artists gain their full potential and explore all the wonders that the art world has to offer. Although I'm graduating a year early, I feel like SJC has prepared me for what is to come after graduation -- the real world. Everyone is willing to lend a helping hand and offer their wisdom to make sure students get what they need.

CHRISTINE CONNELLY BRINKMAN '89 AND SCOTT BRINKMAN '89

We loved SJC. It was where we met. We also met some of the best people we know there, and to this day, we stay in touch. Once a Puma, always a Puma! The size of the school helped draw us closer. The professors knew you, and they truly cared about you and your success.

The Core Program is also very unique. It enables an individual to share, express, and expand their opinions on a wide range of topics. It makes you aware of what is going on all over the world. The big group lecture and then the break off into smaller groups allowed you to really expand your knowledge on a subject. It helped with analytical and critical reasoning skills.

Of course, we were very happy that Ashley decided to attend SJC. However, we really wanted her to go where she wanted. We wanted her to feel "at home" while away from home and to be happy. Personally, if we had the chance to do it all over again, we wouldn't change a thing. Our years at SJC hold great memories, and being able to go back and share times with Ashley is really amazing.

ASHLEY BRINKMAN '16

HOMETOWN: Jasper, Ind.

HIGH SCHOOL: Jasper High School

MAJOR: Art

MINOR: English

SJC ACTIVITIES, CLUBS & LEADERSHIP: Art Club (President), *The Observer* (Editor and Writer), *Measure* (Co-Editor in Chief), Writer's Guild (Co-Captain), Puma Women

(Social Media Liaison), Student Government (Senator of Seifert Hall), Resident Assistant (Seifert Hall, 2014-15)

CHOOSING SJC

Both of my parents are SJC alumni, so the College was always on my list of schools to check out. I chose SJC because of the welcoming atmosphere that everyone projects. When I looked at other schools, whether they were bigger or smaller than SJC, students didn't have the personal relationships with faculty and staff the way SJC students do. When I decided I wanted to move far away from home, I knew that personal relationships were something that I was going

FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES

to need and something that SJC provided.

Yes! I am getting several scholarships -- the Honors Scholarship, the Alumni Grant, the Performance Scholarship, and the St. Katharine Drexel

Grant. These scholarships are what

allowed me to come to SJC.

THE CORE PROGRAM

Core is a whirlwind of information. It is a great program that allows students to discover so many aspects of our society and others as well. Discussions in Core have pushed me to think critically and evaluate the world and its problems. I think that after graduation these abilities are going to help me

achieve my goals in graduate school and beyond when I am going into the workforce.

PERSONAL ATTENTION FROM FACULTY

Faculty at SJC are always there to lend a helping hand, even if they aren't your professor. Two professors especially close to my heart, Associate Professor of Art Bonnie Zimmer and Instructor of Art Corey Crum, have been the best mentors an Art student could ask for. Whether I am stuck on a painting or trying to finish a Core paper, they are always ready to help me work through problems and push me to think deeper and to expand on a topic.

FAITH & SERVICE

As a Catholic, attending SJC was a great investment for my faith. It is easy to enrich myself in the beauty of my faith, whether I am attending Mass on Sunday in the Chapel or going to the Grotto for some personal prayer time.

LEADERSHIP & HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

If there is one thing you can take away from SJC, it is real-life, hands-on experiences. I have had three internships organized through our amazing Career Center in my short time here, and I am in charge of several clubs and organizations on campus. I was elected as one of our hall's senators, and I was a part of the student group selected to help pick SJC's 18th president. It is easy to get involved on campus and gain experience for the future here at SJC.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

After graduating from SJC,
I plan to attend graduate
school to get a Master of Fine
Arts. I intend to become a
professional artist and parttime professor after I am
finished with school.































































Prexel Hall was built in 1888 as the St. Joseph's Indian Normal School. It was funded using \$50,000 given to the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions by Katharine Drexel. At the time, Katharine was a Philadelphia heiress and the daughter of Francis Anthony Drexel, who was a business partner to J. P. Morgan. Mr. Drexel died in 1885, though his firm eventually became Drexel Burnham Lambert, a superpower brokerage firm on Wall Street. Katharine Drexel and her sisters inherited \$15 million after his death. In today's market, that would be equivalent to more than \$400 million. Shortly after gaining her inheritance, Father Joseph Stephan, a former "Indian agent," contacted Katharine and gained her interest in educating Native American boys through Indian schools.

Katharine inspected the building in 1888, became a nun in 1889, and founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People shortly after. With the help of her inheritance, she founded more than 100 schools for Native Americans and African-Americans, leading to her canonization in 2000.

St. Joseph's Indian Normal School was meant to train Catholic Native American boys as farmers, blacksmiths, carpenters, and tailors. They could then bring their knowledge back to their reservations and act as role models for their peers.

The Indian School closed in 1896, but the building was still utilized as a mission house by the priests and brothers of the Society of the Precious Blood at SJC. In 1921, it was officially donated to the College and continued to be utilized in that manner until 1937

when it became a men's residence hall which it stayed until 1978.

The following years at Drexel were filled with neglect and, besides some students who may have snuck in, the College did not put the building to use. Regardless of its state of disrepair, its unique history remained. East of the Mississippi River, it is the oldest surviving Indian School and in 1973, it was named to the National Register of Historic Places.

Recognizing this history, the College, the Historic Preservation Association, and Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana began working together in the late 90s to bring Drexel Hall back to its former glory. They got Drexel added to the "10 Most Endangered" list put out by the Historic Landmarks Foundation every year between 1999 and 2003. They secured restoration grants, rallied support, and got donations, as well.

Their actions raised the funds necessary to restore the outside of the building to its former glory and to remodel the first floor which then became Rensselaer's Adult Learning Center. After acting as the home of the Adult Learning Center

for several years, the College soon decided to begin to utilize Drexel again. On October 9, SJC's Division of Institutional Advancement relocated to the first level of Drexel Hall. Institutional Advancement includes Alumni Affairs and Parent Relations, Major Gifts, and Marketing. In addition to those offices, Drexel also now houses an Alumni Conference Room and a Drexel Courtyard.

FACULTY **NOTES**

Robert Brodman, Biology Chair and Professor of Biology and Environmental Science, is taking part in Interpreters and Scientists Working On Our Parks (iSWOOP). iSWOOP is a National Park Service program funded by a National Science Foundation grant to improve the nature education of park visitors.

Brodman also took part in the 2013 Conner Prairie Biodiversity Survey, the results of which were published last year.

Brodman gave a presentation titled "A Five-year Experimental Assessment of Oak Savanna Restoration: Response of Amphibian and Reptile Communities to Aggressive Canopy Removal and Fire Management" at the University of Kansas. He also presented on "Amphibians in an Agriculture Dominated Landscape" in the Wild presentation at the Lilly Nature Center in the Celery Bog Nature Area in West Lafayette, Ind.

Brodman ran a "hands on" tadpole program for $4^{\rm th}$ graders. This program took place during Conservation Field Day in the Celery Bog Nature Area in West Lafayette, Ind.

> Brian Capouch, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, completed work on a revised edition of the book Data Structures and Algorithms in Javascript. He is credited as a co-author of the book that was published last fall.

Capouch also conducted a commemorative service at 5:45 a.m. on May 1 to mark the 150th anniversary of the moment that Abraham Lincoln's funeral train stopped briefly in Medaryville, Ind. It was held in front of the old hotel, which he owns and which is thought to be the only building still standing along the railroad where Lincoln's funeral train came through.

Capouch was also the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Jasper County Historical Society in June. His topic was "Fred McColly: Rensselaer's Master Builder."

In July, Capouch was appointed to the Board of Directors of Independence Property Management, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Independence Church. Independence Church is a Jasper County landmark that was built in 1872.

Later that month, Capouch presented along with Nathan Samano '15 and Craig Austgen '15 at the O'Reilly

Open Source Conference in Portland, Oregon. Their topic was "Programming Single-Page Web Applications." Over two hundred people attended the presentation.

Capouch also worked with various SJC faculty members and freshmen STEM Program students to catalog, record marker inscriptions, and photograph Barkley Cemetery in August. Barkley Cemetery is a pioneer cemetery located about ten miles from Rensselaer.

Joshua Cole, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, visited Sean Walsh at the University of California-Irvine to pursue research in computability theory. While there, Cole gave a presentation titled "Pi01 Classes and the Foundations of Mathematics" for the colloquium series of the Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science. For more information, visit http://www.socsci.uci. edu/newsevents/events/2015/2015-06-04-pi01-classes.php.

> Leslie Frere, Vice President for Student Development, was selected for the National Leadership Development Program. Frere was one of only 23 seniorlevel higher education administrators across the nation to be selected by the

Council of Independent Colleges to participate in a year-long Executive Leadership Academy that ended in June 2015.

Frere, along with the other participants, took part in several readings and webinars, a mentoring program, and attended two seminars held in Washington, DC. Every individual selected for the program is a vice president or cabinet officer in higher education who aspire to the presidency of an independent college or university. The Academy's purpose is to take those few individuals and to prepare them to serve as effective presidents. The review committee for the Academy believes that each individual chosen has the potential to be a highly effective leader as the president of a college or university.

> Paul Geraci, DA, Associate Professor of Music and Trumpet Instructor, was a featured lecturer at the Monterey Symphony in California. His lectures were on Dvorak and Rachmaninoff.

Geraci also published two separate works. The first, "To Reach Beyond Our Fears," is for orchestra, while the second, "Scarborough Variations" is for the flute and

piano. His works were published by Ayotte Custom Music Engraving and are available for sale with major distributors everywhere.

Maia Hawthorne, Associate Professor of English, received the Teaching Excellence Award from the College at the 2015 Academic Awards Ceremony. The Teaching Excellence Award is presented each year to a teacher in recognition of his or her noteworthy dedication and merit in the classroom.

Hawthorne also received a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) grant to participate in a two-week summer institute in Concord, Massachusetts in July called "Transcendentalism and Reform in the Age of Emerson, Thoreau, and Fuller." From her NEH grant work, Hawthorne developed and gave a presentation about the importance of place in nineteenth-century Transcendentalism to the Prairie Writers Guild.

Hawthorne is also a board member of the Prairie Arts Council (PAC), which serves Jasper and Newton counties. She planned a PAC celebration of the National Council for Teachers of English's "National Day on Writing" that took place at the Carnegie Center in Rensselaer on October 20. The event brought students, teachers, and local authors together for an evening to celebrate the role that writing plays in their lives.

Steve Janco, Associate Professor of Church Music and Liturgy, completed three new musical works in 2015. The first, "Summoned and Sent," was commissioned for a June church rededication in Williamsville,

York. The Second, "Of the Many, One," is a bilingual piece commissioned by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood for the 200th anniversary of the congregation's founding. The last, "As One Family," is a five-stanza hymn concertato that was published by World Library Publications.

Janco also facilitated a gathering for musicians working in African-American Catholic parishes in the Chicago area called "Gift of the Spirit." "Gift of the Spirit" was a collaboration between the Rensselaer Program of Church Music and Liturgy, Bishop Joseph Perry, the Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, and the Chicago Office for Divine Worship.

In July, Janco presented two workshops at the convention of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians in Grand Rapids. In October, he offered additional workshops on liturgical music and Christian initiation at the University of Dallas Ministry Conference.

Janco also led a day of renewal for liturgical musicians in Wilmington, N.C., on September 26.

John Kennedy, Associate Professor of Economics, continued to perform with his band Kennedy's Kitchen at festivals and concerts. They play traditional Irish music and performed at the Great Irish American Festival in Frankfort, N.Y.

in July and the Michigan Irish Fest in Muskegon, Mich. in September. For more information, visit www.kennedyskitchen. com or www.facebook.com/kennedyskitchen.

Charles Kerlin, PhD, Professor of English and Department of English Chair, received the Kaiser Award at the 2015 Academic Awards Ceremony. Named for Fr. Edwin Kaiser C.PP.S. 1917, the Kaiser Award is given to recognize commendable research or publications, which are exhibited professionally to the academic world outside the SJC community. Kerlin was presented with the award in recognition of his semiautobiographical book "Fishing's No Good Without You" that was published in September 2014.

Kerlin also had his poem "The Last Dream Song" published in the September 24 issue of "Crack the Spine." "Crack the Spine" is a literary magazine that publishes weekly online digital magazines and quarterly print anthologies. They publish a variety of literary works including flash fiction, micro-fiction, poetry, short stories, and creative non-fiction.

Kerlin's poem is a fictionalized account of the death of American poet John Berryman. To read "The Last Dream Song," visit http://www.crackthespine.com/2015/09/ issue-164.html.

> Terra Maienbrook '97, Associate Professor of Accounting, gave a presentation titled "Team Teaching: Cost and Benefits." Maienbrook made the presentation at the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE) Region IV

Conference on October 5.

Richard McCarron, Liturgical Instructor, presented on a panel with colleagues from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Garret Evangelical Theological Seminary, and Valparaiso University, on "The Mass Ordinary: Prayers We Have/Had in Common: Catholic Challenges and Prospects" at the Church of Saint Luke in, Chicago, Ill. on September 13. This

event marks a performance of Bach's Mass in B-Minor at Saint Luke, a recollection of the past and present English translations of the Roman Missal, the release of penultimate version of the Lutheran Book of Worship, other ecumenically shared liturgical resources, and fifty years of Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue.

McCarron, with Eileen Crowly and John Pawlikowski, also published "Worshiping in a Religiously Pluralistic Age— Catholic and Jewish Reflections," in issue five of Worship 89.

Harmony Murphy, Director of Choral Activities, presented with other international specialists on Latin American Music at the American Choral Directors Association's Second National Symposium on American Choral

Music—The Music of Latin America: "Searching for a Latin American Musical Style." Her presentation was on "Music in the California Missions."

Michael Nichols '00, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, wrote a peer-reviewed article titled "Māra Re-imagined: Stories of the Buddhist 'Evil One' in Changing Contexts," that will be published in Pacific World: the Journal of the Institute for Buddhist Studies.

Nichols also wrote a chapter titled "Bowing to the Buddha: Dialogues in the Buddhist Nikāyas" for the peer-reviewed edited volume Dialogue and Early South Asian Religions: Reading the Sources. The book was edited by Brian Black and Laurie Patton and published by London: Routledge Press.

In addition to writing his own works, Nichols also reviewed Paving the Great Way: Vasubandhu's Unifying Buddhist Philosophy. Written by Jonathan Gold, Paving the Great Way will be published in the forthcoming Religions of South Asia.

Nichols also concluded a six year term in April as Presiding Chair of the "Religions of Asia" Section at the Midwest American Academy of Religion. He began his term in 2009.

Heidi Rahe, Assistant Professor of Communication, received her Master's degree in Academic Advising-Administration from Kansas State University College of Education. Rahe believes the courses required for this degree

have helped her better understand student development theories and have given her opportunities to consider different kinds of student service programs. Rahe also learned more

about being sensitive to specific student populations, the challenges those students face, and how to help them succeed through her courses.

John Rahe, Associate Professor of Communication and Director of Theatre, directed his 100th show, "The Fantasticks," last spring. The show ran for three nights in April in the Evans Arts and Science Building Theatre on campus. Rahe began his directing career with his graduate project at Kansas State and, while he has worked with several colleges and community theatres, the bulk of his production work has taken place at SJC.

Rochelle Robertson '93, Assistant Professor Communication, attended the Central States Association Communication Conference in April. While at the conference, Robertson presented an honorary tribute to outstanding communication and performance scholar Dr. Teresa Carilli.

> Sister Sharon Marie Stola, OSB, D.Min., was recognized on September 10 for her 25 years of ministry as Director of the Office of Divine Worship and the Catechumenate for the Diocese of Jolietin-Illinois.

Robb Thiel, Associate Professor of Music, Director of College Bands, and Percussion Instructor, has been actively involved with the adjudication of several band contests including the Indiana State School Music Association Jazz Festival at Whiteland High School, the middle school festival at Avon Middle School, the high school festivals at Franklin and Muncie Central High Schools, and the State High School Concert Band Qualifications at Pike High School.

Thiel also judged marching band contests at Kankakee Valley, Hobart, and Highland High Schools in Indiana in addition to Ostego, Hastings, and East Kentwood High Schools in Michigan.

Bonnie Zimmer, Associate Professor of Art and Assistant Professor of Education, was awarded the Helen V. Surovek Memorial Award (Best in Show) in the 72nd Annual Salon Show at South Shore Arts in Munster, Ind. The exhibition began on September 13 and ran through November 1.

Lana Zimmer, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Education, attended a conference at Notre Dame University on September 29-30, entitled Climate Investing: Transition to a Low Carbon

World. Inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si', this conference, which was sponsored by the Mendoza College of Business, featured global leaders in science, investing, environmental policy, and social justice who presented their

insights on the opportunities for investment and innovation that are necessary to address the climate crisis. Knowledge gained at this conference will particularly enhance the curriculum in Core and in Sustainability Studies.

Zimmer was also awarded her second grant from the Ball Venture Fund for \$21,000 for Community-Based Aquaponics:

A Model for Local Food Production, Undergraduate Research, and Next Generation Aquapreneurs. The funds will be used to build a classroom structure, greenhouse, and the aquaponics system at the existing Student Farm. Additionally, there will be a spring series on entrepreneurship that will bring in experts that will share their experiences and attest to the opportunities for this exciting niche market in food production. She was also awarded \$10,000 from the Indiana Space Grant Consortium to support this endeavor, including a program for elementary pre-service teachers that will boost their knowledge and confidence in teaching in the STEM disciplines.

JENNINGS' 80TH BIRTHDAY

RETIRED HEAD FOOTBALL COACH BILL JENNINGS celebrated his 80th birthday in May 2015. To commemorate the occasion, a group of his past players, led by Dana Stewart '73, threw him a surprise birthday party at the Knights of Columbus building on the Northside of Indianapolis on Saturday, May 9. 81 former athletes, friends, and family showed up to surprise and celebrate this occasion with Jennings.

In addition to the party, Jennings' players also gifted him with presents, including a personalized bat with Jennings' name from John Siegel '71 and a football signed by all the players who attended the party.

In his time as head football coach at SJC, Jennings coached ten championship teams and was named Coach of the Year five times. His coaching also led 102 players to be awarded all-conference honors, twelve to be named most-valuable-players, and seventeen to be inducted into SJC's Hall of Fame.

As impressive as his list of accomplishments is, what is perhaps even more remarkable is the relationship he had and continues to have with his players as evidenced by the time and effort they put in to give him an 80th birthday to remember.



CLASS **NOTES**

Mike Bettinger '80 became a partner of Sidley Austin LLP in San Francisco, Cal. Since he graduated from SJC, Bettinger has become a successful lawyer at K&L Gates LLP, trying 21 cases to verdict, most notably a patent infringement suit in 2012 involving Baxter International Inc. unit Sigma and CareFusion. He is highly regarded for his "winning record" of court experience and his level of skill as a litigator, and is expected to find the same success with Sidley Austin LLP.

Dr. Robert Blackwood '64 has coauthored a book with Dr. John Flynn, titled Everything I Know About Life I learned From James Bond (Library Tales Publishing). The book is the ultimate Bond guide! If you want to know all the little details on the making of the Bond movies—the villains, the Bonds, or his girls—this is the book to have on your coffee table. After reading it, you will want to watch every movie from Dr. No Spectre, just so you can pick out the facts. The book is available at Amazon: http://www.amazon.com/ Everything-Know-About-Learned-James/dp/069248020X/.

Sister Mary Henning '98, an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph (Maple Mount, Ky.) who graduated from Saint Joseph's College, is celebrating an impressive anniversary in 2015. The Axtel, Ky., native is celebrating

50 years of religious profession. Sister Mary earned a diploma in Liturgy from Saint Joseph's College in 1998. She earned her undergraduate degree in 1969 from Brescia College (now University) in Owensboro, Ky., and a music degree from St. Mary-of-the-Woods College, Terre Haute, Ind., in 1978. She also has a master's degree in music from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., earned in 1979. Sister Mary was an associate professor of music at Brescia (1981-95, 1997-2013). She was also a teacher prior to becoming a professor. Since 2013, she has served as director of worship and liturgy at the Ursuline Motherhouse in Maple Mount, Ky., and as director of postulants. Jubilarian congratulations may be sent to Mount Saint Joseph, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356.

Founded at Maple Mount in Daviess County, Ky., in 1874, the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph currently minister throughout Kentucky and in Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, Tennessee; and in Washington, D.C., and Chile, South America.

Norbert Krapf'65 and Professor Emeritus John D. Groppe are two of the 200 Indiana writers listed on the state's bicentennial map, "1816-2016 Literary Map of Indiana: 200 Years-200 Poets." The Indiana State Library in partnership with the Eugene & Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award published the map. Copies for schools or history organizations may be requested by contacting Suzanne Walker at SuWalker@library. in.gov. A digital copy of the map can be found at http://www. in.gov/library/files/1816-2016_Literary_Map_of_Indiana. pdf. Krapf has published twenty-six books including eleven poetry collections. A new edition of his Catholic Boy Blues: A Poet's Journal of Healing has just been published by the In Extenso Press imprint of ACTA Publications (2015), which will also bring out his new prose memoir Shrinking the Monster: Recovering from Clergy Abuse. Groppe's poetry has appeared in a variety of literary periodicals.

Steven P. Meyer '81 has been practicing law in the Lafayette, Ind. area for 30 years. In November 2014, he was elected to serve as Judge of Tippecanoe County Superior Court No. 2 and has been serving in that capacity since January 1, 2015.

Angela Williams Palm '04 won the Graywolf Press Nonfiction Prize for her autobiographical novel Riverine, which describes the life of a girl growing up in rural Indiana. Using the Kankakee River as a symbol, it portrays girls and women from rural Indiana as people who always return to their origins and applies this symbol to Palm's own experiences through a collection of memoirs and narrative essays. The prestigious Nonfiction Prize involves a \$12,000 advance as well as a publication in spring of 2016.

John P. Riordan '64 recently published an autobiographical novel entitled They Are All My Family, discussing his efforts to rescue his Vietnamese staff members and their families before the Fall of Saigon. During the final days of the Tet Offensive, Riordan ignored the orders of his employer and saved 106 Vietnamese people from the chaotic takeover of Saigon on April 30, 1975. Riordan also discussed his book on multiple media broadcasts including "CBS This Morning" and WBEZ Chicago Public Radio, leading up to the 30th anniversary of the Fall of Saigon in 2015. They Are All My Family is available for purchase through Barnes and Noble and Amazon.

ENGAGEMENTS

Caitlin Gierymski '11 to Chris Chojnowski '12.

Kara Kristoff'10 to Nick Eyer'10.

Natalie Appelhans '12 to Tom Norris '12.

Brittany T. O'Donnell '15 to Cole A. Stalter '15. A June 2016 wedding is planned.

MARRIAGES

Margaret K. Broderick '08 to Christopher A. Bush '07, 3/14/15 at St. Barnabas Church in Chicago, Ill. Pumas in attendance were Michael J. Broderick '71 (Father of the Bride), Edward J. Reed '72 (Stepfather of the Groom), Zachary D. Lee '07 (Best Man), Kevin L. Craney '10 (usher), Katherine Vanderkolk Craney '10, Elizabeth M. Power '08 (Godmother of the Groom), Kurt A. Barone '09, John E. Freiburger '87, Marcus J. Wagner '07, Robert M. Siegel '05 and Scott '95 and Terra Schafer Maienbrook '97.

Erin E. Brocker '12 to Joseph M. Huber '11.

Stephenie A. Hash '11 to James P. Jaworski '07, 10/25/14. Pumas in the wedding party include Kara A. Kristoff '10, Nicole K. Costello '11, Shayna L. Hesson Phegley '10, Stephen L. Hash '07, and Michael N. Marshall '06. Pumas in attendance were Nickolas Eyer '10, Melissa C. Melinauskas Marshall '06, Rachel M. Weaver '12 and Rick '98 (SJC Baseball Coach) and Sherry London O'Dette '98.

Allison Mattocks '15 to Trent Kyburz, 6/20/15.

Abigail Gazda '11 to Timothy LeBeau '11, 8/22/15. Pumas in attendance were John '11 and Jenny Merkel Miller '11, Ed '11 and Meagan Anderson Schlueter '10, Caitlin Gierymski '11, Chris Chojnowski '12, Kara Kristoff '10, Nick Eyer '10, Natalie Appelhans '12, Tom Norris '12, Nicole Costello '11, Rachel Weaver '12, Amy Varner '12, Stephanie Kickels '09, DeQwan Young '08, Kelsey Bess '10, Wade Finke '11, Tatiana Ortiz'12, Jen Szala'12, Tia Robinson, Matt Foltz'11 and Nicholas Kedzuch '11.

Victoria Berenda '15 to Zachary Rayburn, 3/7/15. Pumas in the wedding party include Kendra Latta Illingworth '93, MBA '14 (Mother of the Bride), Susan Lintner Rayburn '95 (Mother of the Groom), Adriana Lugosan '16, Alyssa Schafer '15, Ozana Paraga '15, and Patrick Massoels '15.

Anne M. Niemiec '01 to George C. Ryder, 8/9/14 at Saint Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church in River Forest, Ill. Pumas in attendance were Eric Schneider '01, Stan Niemiec '05 (Groomsman), Beth Hollenbeck McGovern '02, Brian McGovern '00, Brock Heinz '01, Gilberto Murillo '00, Elliott Zimmer '05, Michael Alkaraki '03, Christine Krallman Bell '01, Dan Koleszar '99, Cathy Cox Heinz '01, Mark Stasch '02, Betsy Fryksdale Oskorep '02, Mel McGuiggan '02, Bridget Newman McGuiggan '04 (Bridesmaid), Rocco Fusco '01, Liz Gillem Duncanson (Assistant Athletic



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Trainer 98-99), Stacey Cunningham Koleszar '01, Don Bernovich '03, Andrea Claussen Whitehouse '03, and Adam Whitehouse '04.

Allyson M. Bierovic '13 to Matthew J. Schumacher '12, 6/26/15 at Silver Lake Country Club in Orland Park, Ill. Pumas in the wedding party include Yara Mroueh '13, Sara "Josie" Lenart '13, Ian J. Evans '13, and Luis de Leon '12.

Amber Richardson '15 to Cody Sprayberry '14, 6/13/15.

BIRTHS

Lilah May Beasley to Matt and Caitlin D. Wedding Beasley'12, 5/28/15.

Jacob Jeffrey Bott to Jeff and **Jen A. Varner Bott '02**, 3/30/15. Jacob joins Joseph (4) and Eleanor (2).

Harrison James Church to Jennifer and Thomas Church (SJC Men's Basketball Coach), 6/10/15.

Grayson Michael Deardorff to Kelly and **Brandon L. Deardorff '05**, 9/15/14.

Margaret Grace Ferguson to Bradford and Ann-Marie Vidal Ferguson '99, 6/22/14.

Aaron David Heinz to **Brock'01** and **Catherine Cox Heinz'01**, 7/3/15. Aaron is welcomed by big brothers Will (6), Casey (4), and Matthew (2) and big sister Elizabeth (3).

Natalie Elizabeth Hill to Jacob and Alexandrea Falk Hill '07, 9/7/14. Natalie joins big sister, Coraline (2).

Mia Edith LaFata to Michelle and Michael C. LaFata '07, 1/6/15.

Dalton Joseph Wilcox to Marie K. Windler '04, 8/01/15

DEATHS

Lorena Bailey (Former SJC Staff), 6/21/15.

Ronald J. Barrans '58, 11/21/12.

John J. Barrientos '51 (SJC Fellow, Former Staff), 1/20/15.

David C. Bauer '59, 1/11/15.

John Beneden Bellucci, III '85, 1/23/15.

Norma Bennett, mother of Teresa Macy Blasius '78, 8/3/14.

Paul Birkhimer, husband of Suzanne Zurn-Birkhimer (SJC Faculty), 8/7/15.

George R. Bobalik '50 (SJC Fellow), 7/17/15.

Matthew Bradakis '79, 7/2/15.

Debra E. Brouwer (SJC Fellow, served on the Council of Fellows from 2012 to 2015), mother of Mark A. Brouwer '04 (SJC Fellow, former SJC Staff), 8/22/15.

Rosalyn Ruda Buhring '72, wife of Dennis J. Buhring '72, 2/20/15.

Sgt. Andrew Budd, grandson of Linda Buschman, 08/2015.

Thomas D. Carpenter '61, 11/20/14.

James H. Flickner (SJC Father Bierberg Fellow), father of Anita Reed (SJC Fellow and Associate Professor of Nursing), grandfather of Blain B. Reed Carroll '08, 4/29/15.

Myra Kay Carroll '94, 7/23/15.

Robert F. Clark '56, 12/12/14.

Charles A. Clemens '64 (served on the Alumni Association Board of Directors from 1972 to 1976, SJC Father Bierberg Fellow), 7/28/15.

Thaddeus R. and Ofelia Cocot, parents of Roberto Cocot '02, Daniel Cocot '04, and Michael Cocot '11, 12/4/14.



Debra E. Brouwer



Charles A. Clemens '64







Louis L. "Luke" Funk



Bernard E. Hannon



James W. Hoover



Ernest T. Kolesiak '61



Dianne M. Renspie

Michael J. Connolly, Jr. '81, brother of Patricia Connolly '85, 9/19/14.

Cathy Coyle Johns, sister of Jennifer Coyle '97, 2/16/15.

Eugene F. Deno, father of Brian Deno '86 and Linda Deno '82, grandfather of Courtney Deno '18, 7/4/15.

Robert P. Dick '50, 2/17/14.

Edward F. Dolan '60, 12/31/14.

Thomas J. Dwan Jr. '66, 1/11/15.

Diana Flak, wife of Robert S. Flak '69, 4/11/15.

Sophia Froelich, wife of Charles Froehlich '65 (both SJC Fellows), 1/19/15.

Louis L. "Luke" Funk (SJC Fellow), father of James L. Funk '73, Ann E. Funk Steiner '76, Thomas M. Funk '79, and grandfather of Carolyn L. Funk '08 and Katherine Funk '11, 7/9/15.

Lawrence A. Gordon '63 (SJC Fellow), 1/6/15.

Theresa Grider, mother of Jeff Grider '15, 08/2015.

Vincent A. Gulasa '72, 1/3/15.

John M. Haffner '53, 1/26/15.

Bernard E. Hannon (SJC Fellow, Retired Faculty), father of Mark D. Hannon '86, 5/15/15.

Gerard J. Heinrichs '68, 11/30/14.

James W. Hoover (SJC Fellow), 7/21/15.

John R. Risner, father of Mark A. Howard '05, 2014.

Timothy E. Kahle, father of Travis J. Kahle '09, 1/11/15.

Lawrence W. Kelly '55, grandfather of Sandra Fisher Gerber '01, 2/27/15.

Edward M. Kern '57, 11/16/14.

Ernest T. Kolesiak '61 (SJC Fellow), father of Karen Kolesiak Kratzsch '87, 7/29/15.

John E. Koors, Jr., M.D. '68 (SJC Fellow), 1/1/15.

Robert W. Koron '60, brother of Ronald Koran '60, 04/2015.

Vikram Chokshi, father of Deviani M. Chokshi Kuhar '91, 01/2015.

Jeff Lane, husband of Mary Jo Schweitzer Lane '82, 11/2014.

Donald D. Linback (Former SJC Staff), 2/14/15.

Daniel J. Lisak '62, 10/24/13.

Robert Litzenberg '70, brother of Bruce E. Litzenberg '73, 1/11/15.

Frank T. Loftus '50, 2/2012.

Patricia R. Lubbingda, wife of Robert H. Lubbingda '62 (SJC Fellow), 4/13/15.

Mary L. McCarthy '95, 5/7/14.

William J. McCarthy '58 (SJC Father Bierberg Fellow), 8/8/15.

James John McMahon '61, 3/27/15.

Howard H. Miller, father of Shannon K. Miller '86, 5/19/15.

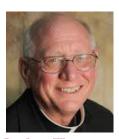












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Joseph W. Strzelczyk '61, 5/17/14.

William J. Sullivan (SJC Fellow), father of Mark W. Sullivan '75 and Timothy P. Sullivan '81, 11/6/14.

Robert J. Szucs (served on the Board of Trustees from 1983 to 1993, SJC Father Bierberg Fellow), husband of Loretto Dennis Szucs '90, father of Diana Szucs Sullivan '86, Patricia Szucs Stitz '88 and Laura Szucs Pfeiffer '89, 4/23/15.

Linda J. Taulman (Former SJC Head Volleyball Coach from 1978 to 1986), 3/10/15.

Pama B. Tonner, wife of Donald J. Tonner '42 (both SJC Distinguished Fellows), 3/27/15.

Gerald M. Valenzano '68, 9/30/13.

Richard J. Walker '45 (SJC Father Bierberg Fellow), 2/22/15.

Patrick S. Walsh '67, 11/4/11.

Willard J. Warwick, Jr. '76, husband of Margaret Baker Warick '77, 7/25/14.

John Weinert (SJC Fellow, SJC Men's Basketball Coach 1972-76, Sports Hall of Fame member), 7/30/15.

Sister Canice Werner, C.PP.S., 4/22/13.

Patricia Wilbanks Whaley '61, 4/21/15.

Edward L. Wolff '64, 7/5/15.

Rev. Larry Wyen, C.PP.S., '65 (SJC Fellow and former SJC Faculty), cousin of Thomas V. Wyen '73 and brother of Theodore M. Wyen '81, 7/28/15.



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